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Suspect Identified In Shooting

Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) Detectives are investigating a shooting that occurred in Quartzsite, Arizona in the early morning hours of May 17, 2007. Investigators have identified a suspect who is now wanted in connection with the shooting.

The circumstances of the shooting are still being investigated, but DPS Detectives, following leads from local community members in Quartzsite, have identified Gregory Allen Cole as a suspect in the shooting of Quartzsite Officer Kemp. Cole had been previously known only by his street name, "Groundhog."

Gregory Allen Cole (photograph attached) is identified as a white male, 6'3", weighing approximately 275 pound with blue/green eyes. Cole has a bald head and was last seen clean shaven. Gregory Allen Cole is at large and anyone with any information concerning him is advised to call 911 or DPS at 602-223-2212. Do not attempt to contact Cole, he is considered dangerous.

The whereabouts of Kenneth W. Miller and Betty Lou Japel (photos attached) are still unknown.

The mission of the Arizona Department of Public Safety, one of the most dynamic state-level law enforcement agency in the United States, is to protect human life and property by enforcing state laws, deterring criminal activity, assuring the safety of the motoring public on Arizona's highways and providing vital scientific, technical and operational support to other criminal justice agencies. The Department, also one of Arizona's largest law enforcement agencies with some 2,200 sworn and civilian employees, consists of four divisions – Highway Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Criminal Justice Support and Agency Support. The Department is headquartered in Phoenix and has offices located in more than 80 communities within Arizona's 15 counties.

*****Suspect*****

Gregory Allen Cole
6'3", weighing approximately 275 pound
with blue/green eyes.



*****Missing*****

Miller, Kenneth William Age 73
5'10" 190 pounds



*****Missing*****

Japel, Betty Lou
Age 69
5'5" 140 pounds

